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1952 Introductions

CHINESE WHITE

(Snow Flurry x Wo-Peen) x
(Katherine Fay x Wo-Peen)

\$15.00

A LARGE exquisite pure white without any yellow in the center of the flower.

This very fine white has leather-like substance, wide well rounded falls and the flower is beautifully proportioned. Among the many choice white varieties in commerce, this fine specimen is a standout and has been a highlight in the garden for the past three years. 42" stalk.

PEQUOT

Lights On x Moontide

\$10.00

A LARGE red self of good form and substance, no veinations in the haft.

The crossing of Lapham's Lights On (a fine red) by Moontide (an orange-toned yellow), produced some nice reds with less of the usual purple cast. I believe the infusion of orange-toned yellows with reds has great possibilities for improving color. 36" stalk.

1951 Introductions

MAYAN GOLD

Jericho x (Moontide x Orange Gem)

\$10.00

A BEAUTIFUL deep gold self with a wide haft—no veinations, domed standards, semi-flaring falls, medium size, good substance and a 36" stalk.

I have collected and crossed yellow and gold varieties for the past 25 years and my garden collection includes only the choice ones. Mayan Gold is the finest pure, bright gold of them all and a clump of it stands out like a beacon in the garden.

KIM

Wo-Peen (White) x White Seedling

\$5.00

A LARGE plicata with white ground color and a narrow stitching of blue violet. Good substance and form and nicely poised on a 40" well branched stalk.

In my many years of Iris breeding I have not made a plicata cross, and to have an outstanding one appear in a cross of two whites, is certainly novel.

1950 Introductions

PONDER

No. 5001

(Helen McGregor x Blue Angel Wings)
x (Helen McGregor)

\$10.00

A LARGE, light blue self of near perfect form, semi-flaring falls and closed standards, exceptionally heavy substance and smooth texture. 38" stalk.

According to Mertz & Paul Color Dictionary it is five shades deeper in color than one of its parents, Helen McGregor.

It is the finest light blue Iris I have seen to date. H. M. 1950.

JERICHO

(Moontide x Orange Gem) x Moontide

\$10.00

A LARGE deep orange self with a blaze of Tan Heather Oriole on the semi-flaring falls. The blooms are beautifully formed and have exceptional substance for a large flower. It has proven to be a good breeder for orange tones. 40" stalk.

FAIRDAY

(Miobelle x Misty Rose) x (Moontide)
x Moontide

\$5.00

SOMETHING new; a large yellow near Amoena. The domed standards are very broad and when the flower opens, are a very pale cream, but the color when the flower is fully open changes to white. The flaring falls are mimosa gold with an edging of white. Most exceptional substance for a large flower. 40" stalk. H. M. 1949.

BLUE ANGEL WINGS

Snow Flurry x (Naranja x Janet
Butler) x (Misty Rose x Miobelle)
x Snow Flurry

\$4.00

A LIGHT blue bicolor with light blue standards, a lighter tone of blue in the falls. The lower part of the standards and the style branches are a much deeper tone of blue than the falls and upper portion of the standards. 38" stalk. H. M. 1949.

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ORANGE GEM

(Red Gleam x Mary Vernon)
x Moontide

\$5.00

A LOVELY large orange self with an orange beard. The flowers are beautifully formed, of heavy substance, and the orange coloring is even and rich. The standards are broad, beautifully formed, the flaring falls have a wide haft, are well rounded and have ruffled borders. 40" stalk. H. M. 1948.

AUGUSTA

(Miobelle x Red Gleam)
x Miobelle

\$2.00

A LOVELY medium size blend of excellent form. The standards are blended tan with a tinge of lavender at the center. The falls are blended tan and lavender with a blaze of amethyst lights at the center. 40" stalks. H. M. 1948.

TERMS OF SALE

Cash with order. Plants will be shipped by parcel post during July or August.

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